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BEFORE THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION 1 2 2007 JAN 23 P 1: 43 **COMMISSIONERS** 3 JEFF HATCH-MILLER, Chairman AZ CORP COMMISSION WILLIAM A. MUNDELL DOCUMENT CONTROL MIKE GLEASON KRISTIN K. MAYES 5 **GARY PIERCE** 6 IN THE MATTER OF: DOCKET NO. W-01445A-06-0200 SW-20445A-06-0200 7 ARIZONA WATER COMPANY, AN ARIZONA W-20446A-06-0200 **W**-03576A-06-0200 CORPORATION. 8 SW-03575A-06-0200 Complainant 9 10 GLOBAL WATER RESOURCES, LLC, A 11 FOREIGN LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY: Arizona Corporation Commission GLOBAL WATER RESOURCES, INC., A 12 DELAWARE CORPORATION; GLOBAL WATER DOCKETED MANAGEMENT, LLC, A FOREIGN LIMITED 13 LIABILITY COMPANY; SANTA CRUZ WATER JAN 23 2007 COMPANY, LLC, AN ARIZONA LIMITED 14 LIABILITY CORPORATION; PALO VERDE UTILITIES COMPANY, LLC, AN ARIZONA DOCKETED BY 15 LIMITED LIABILITY CORPORATION; GLOBAL WATER - SANTA CRUZ WATER COMPANY, AN ARIZONA CORPORATION; GLOBAL WATER - PALO VERDE UTILITIES COMPANY, 17 AN ARIZONA CORPORATION; JOHN AND JANE DOES 1-20; ABC ENTITIES I-XX. 18 Respondents. PROCEDURAL ORDER 19 BY THE COMMISSION: 20 On March 29, 2006, Arizona Water Company ("AWC") filed a complaint against Global 21 Water Resources, LLC, Global Water Resources, Inc., Global Water Management, LLC, Santa Cruz 22 Water Company, LLC, Palo Verde Utilities Company, LLC, Arizona Global Water – Santa Cruz 23 Water Company and Arizona Global Water - Palo Verde Utilities Company (collectively 24 "Respondents"). 25 26 27 28

On October 6, 2006, the Commission's Utilities Division ("Staff") filed a Staff Report in Docket No. W-00000C-06-0149¹ addressing the Comments that had been received regarding regulatory treatment of non-traditional funding mechanisms. Although Staff concluded that Infrastructure Coordination and Finance Arrangements ("ICFAs") should be treated as advances or contributions instead of equity for ratemaking purposes, Staff did not address the issue of whether entities which employ non-traditional financing arrangements, such as ICFAs, should be considered public service corporations or otherwise subject to the Commission's jurisdiction.

By Procedural Order issued December 20, 2006, Staff was directed to file in the above-captioned Complaint Docket, by January 19, 2007, a legal brief addressing the issue of whether entities which employ non-traditional financing arrangements, such as ICFAs, should be considered public service corporations or otherwise subject to the Commission's jurisdiction. Staff was also directed to discuss any other issues that may be relevant to the Commission's consideration of whether it should assert jurisdiction over ICFAs and the entities employing such arrangements and, if so, what action should be taken regarding such devices. Responses to Staff's brief were ordered to be filed by February 2, 2007.

On January 19, 2007, Staff filed a Request for Extension of Time to file its legal brief. Staff requested an extension until February 9, 2007 due to the press of other matters.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED Staff's extension request is hereby granted and Staff shall file, by February 9, 2007, a legal brief addressing the issue of whether entities which employ non-traditional financing arrangements, such as ICFAs, should be considered public service corporations or otherwise subject to the Commission's jurisdiction. Staff's brief should also discuss any other issues that may be relevant to the Commission's consideration of whether it should assert jurisdiction over ICFAs and the entities employing such arrangements and, if so, what action should be taken regarding such devices.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Staff's brief shall also be filed in the Generic Docket (Docket No. W-00000C-06-0149).

¹ In the Matter of the Commission's Generic Evaluation of the Regulatory Impact From the Use of Non-Traditional Financing Arrangements by Water Utilities and Their Affiliates ("Generic Docket")

1 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that responses to Staff's brief shall be filed by no later than 2 February 23, 2007. 3 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Administrative Law Judge may rescind, alter, amend, 4 or waive any portion of this Procedural Order either by subsequent Procedural Order or by ruling at 5 hearing. Dated this 23rd day of January, 2007 6 7 8 9 ASSISTANT CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE 10 Copies of the foregoing mailed/delivered this _____ day of January, 2007 to: 11 12 Robert W. Geake Mayor Chuck Walton 13 ARIZONA WATER COMPANY City of Casa Grande 3805 N. Black Canyon Highway 510 East Florence Blvd. 14 Phoenix, AZ 85015 Casa Grande, AZ 85222 15 Steven A. Hirsch Christopher Kempley, Chief Counsel Rodney W. Ott Legal Division 16 BRYAN CAVE, LLP ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION Two N. Central Avenue, Ste. 2200 1200 West Washington Street 17 Phoenix, AZ 85004 Phoenix, AZ 85007 Attorneys for Arizona Water Company 18 Ernest G. Johnson, Director Michael W. Patten **Utilities Division** 19 ROSHKA DeWULF & PATTEN, PLC ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION 400 East Van Buren Street, Ste. 800 1200 West Washington 20 Phoenix, AZ 85004 Phoenix, AZ 85007 Attorneys for Respondents 21 22 23 By: Diane Rodriguez 24 Secretary to Dwight D. Nodes 25 26 27

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